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IN THE

Supreme Court of the United States

OCTOBER TERM, 1895.

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THE CANTON INSURANCE CO., LIMITED, *et al.*, *Appellants*, *vs.* JOHN MACINTYRE, JR., *et al.* — No. ~~[illegible]~~ 366

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Reply of Counsel to Motion of Counsel for Shippers to Advance.

The undersigned, counsel for claimants of the steamship Plymothian and the claimants of the steamship Victory, beg leave to state that they concur in the motion of counsel for shippers to advance the cause and set it for its hearing.

The importance of a prompt disposition of the case, outside of the private interests of the parties, arises from the fact that the decision of the Court dividing the damages otherwise than half and half has been reported, and the fact that the Chief Justice took part in it gives it a force which is well calculated to impress the other courts. It is therefore important as early as possible to have the question settled how damages should be divided in cases of mutual fault, as the numerous district courts before whom the

numerous collision cases are pending will inevitably decide the question different ways and cause much confusion.

The question whether the international or supervisor's rules apply in waters inside of the coast line, like the Elizabeth river, is also highly important and should be promptly settled, and the question what effect, if any, should be given to the exemptions in the bills of lading is hardly less so.

For these reasons we concur in the said motion, and hope this honorable Court will see fit to grant the same.

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[Endorsed:] Case Nos. 16,047 & 16,048. Supreme Court U. S., October term, 1895. Term No., 757. The Canton Ins. Co., Limited, *et al.*, app'ts, *vs.* John MacIntyre, Jr., *et al.* Term No., 758. John MacIntyre, Jr., *et al.*, app'ts, *vs.* The Canton Ins. Co., Limited, *et al.* Consent of counsel for claimants of S. S. "Plymothian" & "Victory" to motion to advance. Filed February 29, 1896.